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PUTS THE SHUTTER ON ROOSEVELT'S ADVERTISING MEDIUM

No More Such Contemptible Clap-Trap Permitted at the Army Maneuvers.

Secretary Garrison Takes Prompt Measures to Abate a General Nuisance

Secretary of War Garrison has put the shutter over the trap which enables the noisy and spotlight artist Teddy to air his un-American views on the grounds where military encampments are held. There is no one except such a spotlight lover of cheap notoriety such as Teddy, who would take advantage of an occasion and of the officers who permitted him to speak, to denounce in the presence of the military arm of the federal government the president of a country who has kept it out of war with honor, instead of having it plunged into a holocaust of blood and fire, with the death of hundreds of thousands of American youth, simply to gratify the lust for money that the powder and shot and armor plate makers are so insistent upon.

HIS IMPERATE TIRADE

Roosevelt's tirade was made before the soldiers and citizens gathered at the army maneuvers at Plattsburgh, New York, and in justice to Major General Leonard Wood it should be stated that he had no knowledge of what the Noisy would say. The principal insulting reference of Roosevelt lay in this sentence:

"If the administration had displayed one-tenth of the spirit and energy in holding Germany and Mexico to account for the murder of American men, women and children that it is now displaying in the endeavor to prevent our people from being taught the need of preparations to prevent the repetition of such murders in the future, it would be rendering a service to the people of this country."

GARRISON SQUEECHES HIM

When this came to the notice of

Secretary Garrison he put the kibosh on such incendiary and unseated for rot in the future, by this characteristic telegram to Major General Wood—and he means it, and in future if Teddy wants to be noisy before the army he will have to sneak in under the canvas. Secretary Garrison wired:

"I have just seen the report in the newspapers of the speech made by President Roosevelt at the Plattsburgh camp. It is difficult to conceive of anything which could have a more detrimental effect upon the real value of this experiment than such an incident."

This camp, held under government auspices, was successfully demonstrating many things of great moment. Its virtue consisted in the fact that it conveyed its own impressive lessons in its practical and successful operation and results.

No opportunity should have been furnished to any one to present to the men any matter excepting that which was essential to the necessary training they were there to receive. Anything else could only have the effect of distracting attention from the real nature of the experiment, diverting consideration to issues which excite controversy, antagonism and ill-feeling, and thereby impairing, if not destroying, what otherwise would have been so effective.

There must not be any opportunity given at Plattsburgh or at any other similar camp for any such unfortunate consequences."

Now go hence, Teddy—and stay hence where you belong.

KNOCKED HER OUT

ETIQUETTE OF THE "JIT"

Mrs. Nellie Blumer Says That Her Husband Is Somewhat of a Bruiser

How to Act With Fitting Decorum in the New System of Locomotion

The many friends of Mrs. Nellie H. Blumer, formerly of this city but now of Cook, Neb., will learn with surprise that she has sued her husband, Dr. Frederick W. Blumer, a former well-known physician of this city, for divorce. Mrs. Blumer was formerly Miss Nellie Stewart, and the couple was married in this city Sept. 26, 1899, with considerable ceremony. In her petition Mrs. Blumer alleges that her doctor husband beat her until she was black and blue, that he knocked her down, called her vile names, swore at her, and struck her when she was ill. Mrs. Blumer states that she left her husband once before on account of cruel treatment, but he persuaded her to come back by promises, which he did not keep.

The petition declares that Dr. Blumer has about \$10,000 worth of personal property accumulated since their marriage, and earns \$4,000 a year, and Mrs. Blumer asks for a restraining order preventing him transferring any of this property until the case is heard. She also has filed a motion for the payment of \$100 monthly alimony and similar amount for attorney's fees, suit money, and maintenance, asserting that she is without any means, and that her husband was always close, giving her very little money at a time.

DEMOCRATS TO AGENCY

Saturday, Sept. 4, is the date of the big Democratic political picnic at Agency, and as on former occasions, this event will be the joyful love-fest of Democracy of Buchanan county. Among the prominent speakers who will address the multitude is the Hon. James A. Houchin, Congressman Chas. P. Bowser, Senator James A. Reed and Fred Gardner of St. Louis. Besides this able talent, the county officers will be present and several candidates for various local and state offices who have already shied their hats into the political ring.

The St. Joseph jitneys are still on earth. That they have stayed so long has caused those who are interested in the new class of locomotion to devise a system of etiquette which is now subject to adoption. If you are driving from Fifth and Edmund to the Union station or to St. Joseph's Park-opolis, it will be well for you to familiarize yourself with these lately promulgated rules of etiquette. It may save you much embarrassment.

Gentlemen should arise, bow and give ladies their seats, if the car is crowded, but should be careful not to do so while the jitney is going around a corner. If they do, the number of passengers will be automatically diminished.

In standing, after giving a lady his seat, the gentleman may grasp the side rail in the tasseaux. In so doing, however, he should not forget himself in the presence of the rail, and turn around and say: "What'll you have? This one is on me."

A young lady, if she so desires, may sit on a gentleman's lap. It is not necessary to ask his permission. He won't mind.

It is not permissible for a gentleman who is holding a lady on his lap to speak to her, or vice versa, unless they have been properly introduced. This is easily accomplished.

If the lady whom you are holding in your lap gets too heavy, get out as though you had reached your destination. Wait for the next jitney. It will be crowded. You may then sit in a young lady's lap.

If waiting for a jitney, look as cheap as you can. The driver, when he comes along, will stop.

Always hand the driver a \$10 bill before the other passengers have had a chance to pay him. This will keep them waiting and will give them a chance to admire the landscape.

It is not considered good form, when riding with the driver, to move the funny little lever which he has on the wheel. If you do so you may find yourself telling St. Peter why you did it.

The more crowded the jitney the more anxious you should be to secure a place in it. It will remind you of the old days when you rode in the trolley cars.

THE GAZETTE AND GETCHELL

To the Editor of The Observer:
The political department of the St. Joseph Gazette has again given evidence of the lack of confidence the public feels for its utterances, by an attempt to bolster up the cause of the park board and H. G. Getchell, in payment for said Getchell's attempt to nominate said editor as mayor two years ago. It is a deplorable condition and an injury to the growth of the city that any newspaper should so wantonly uphold extravagance of the funds of the city. It is a pity that such an influential medium should be under control of that class of politicians. It is puerile and silly to print such an article as appeared in Sunday's Gazette extolling Getchell, when the public knows that the old superintendent has a nationwide standing and has given to Krug Park a national reputation.

WHAT THE PRESS SAYS OF ROACH

KIND WORDS FROM THOSE WHO APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT SECRETARY HAS DONE

AND HE HAS EARNED EVERY ONE OF THEM

His Record as Secretary of State is Open to the World and There is Not a Fact or Figure Connected With His Public Conduct That Will Not Be Cheerfully and Promptly Given to Anyone Who Stands in Need of Such Information.

DEFENDS SENATOR REED

The Republican Kansas City Journal Goss After the Tragedy of the Missouri Statesman

The outrageous attack made on United States Senator James A. Reed, by his enemy—and for that matter the enemy of anything that does not support the personal whims of the Kansas City Times and the Star—has caused a reaction in Kansas City that has become more than noticeable, for even the Republican papers of that city (which owe nothing to Missouri's Democratic senator) have become disgusted at such unfairness and cowardly spitefulness, and have come to Reed's support. That paragon of Republicanism and staidness, the Kansas City Journal, resents the attack and in so doing pays tribute to his traducers after this fighting fashion:

WHOLE LOT OF MEANING

The Sheldon, Shelby County, Torch Light puts a whole lot of meaning into the following paragraph:

It is said Con Roach has thirteen reasons. To those the people of Missouri have at least one other. Roach is always on the job and does it right. Even the expert accountants in all their anxiety and efforts to tag somebody with something, found no place to hang anything on Roach.

NOT LONG ON VACATIONS

The Cass County Democrat of Harrisonville, Mo., says:

Secretary of State Roach is not very strong for long vacations. This plan he adopts not only for his apprentices, but for himself, too. There never has been a state officer who has spent as much time at his official desk as Con Roach does. It is this devotion to duty, and with it his discerning judgment and splendid capability that are going to make Cornelius Roach more than merely a sectional favorite in the race for governor next year.

BUSINESS MEN IN OFFICE

The Pemiscot County Democrat: The public well realizes that an officer should be a capable business man. No better illustration can be given of a capable business officer than the present secretary of state, Cornelius Roach. He has so administered the affairs of his office that during the past two years only (\$1913-\$14), he put into the state treasury \$822,927.00. The meaning of these figures may be better understood when it is known that his predecessor in his whole term of four years (\$1904-\$8), collected only \$835,788.00. Furthermore, Roach made the foregoing collection with a total expenditure of \$86,873 less than his predecessor's cost of administration. The foregoing is a concrete example of how it pays all tax payers of every party to have a good business Democrat in the office rather than a special privilege standout.

THE MAN AT THE FINISH

The following from the Scott County Standard is some evidence as to the trend of Democratic thought:

All sorts of dope sheets are being put out as to probable candidates for Governor of Missouri in 1916. Judge Graves is the one that is keeping several prospective candidates quiet. Judge Graves is a very strong man, clean in every way, was elected to the Supreme Court for his legal qualifications and special fitness and it doesn't look proper to give up a certainty for an uncertainty. Folk was in St. Louis the latter part of the week and several interviews left the impression that if the party is looking for a good man to lead them that he could be persuaded to undertake the task. Gardner and Houchins with their barrels, Barker, the windjammer and other lesser lights will make politics lively in the Democratic camp when the time arrives. In the meantime keep your eyes on Con Roach, the man of business, who is known and liked by Democrats in every corner of the state, for he will be at the finish and the man that beats him for the nomination will be the next Governor of Missouri.

“MAY TRY GUBERNATORIAL RACE”

Under the above caption followed

GOVERNORS' CONFIDENCE IN WILSON

On Tuesday over twenty governors of various states of the Union, who were attending the governors' conference at Boston, passed a resolution highly complimentary to President Wilson, as it was the sentiment of both Democratic and Republican governors. It was introduced by Governor Walsh of Massachusetts, as follows:

"The governors of the several commonwealths of the nation, in conference assembled, desire to tender to you an expression of their confidence and support in this hour of deep international concern; and to assure you of their readiness to follow your leadership in all matters which you may deem best to promote the honor and maintain the peace and welfare of the nation and the whole people."

3,500 ARE OUT OF WORK

That Number of Piano Men Have Lost Out as a Result of the Prohibition Wave

The following article from the Columbus, Ohio, Dispatch, shows what damage the prohibition movement has already done to others than those directly connected with the liquor interests and the working class:

Mr. H. F. Davenport, secretary of the Brunswick Balke-Collender company, Chicago, says:

The immediate result of this wave of prohibition now sweeping the country is that about 3,500 of our employees have been laid off. At our north side plant, Orleans and Huron streets, which is closed, we formerly had 1,700 men; at Long Island, now closed, we had 900 men; at Bay Francisco, also closed, we had 200 men. We have also reduced the number in our other factories. At present our West Side plant here in Chicago, Twenty-second street and Ford avenue, we have cut down from 500 to 200, and at Dubuque from 500 to 200.

"Manufacturers of pianos have been harder than we have by this prohibition wave. We are particularly well prepared to make piano cases and can do it cheaper and better than the big manufacturers. The result is that the little manufacturer, or rather those who assemble piano parts, can now get their cases cheaper than the big manufacturer can produce them, and this puts the little fellow in the inside track of the big one. It has been a hard blow to some of the piano makers."

By Cornelius Roach, Missouri's popular secretary of state, being urged to run, the Holt County Leader of Craig says:

Cornelius Roach, who has served Missouri so nobly and so well as secretary of state is being urged by many of his political friends to make the race in 1916 for the governor's chair. Mr. Roach has not as yet voiced his intention of acceding to the wishes of those who have promised to support him, but it is believed among those who know, that he will decide to cast his lot with the other contenders when the proper time comes.

With all due respect to the other gentlemen who will probably have their hats in the ring, the Leader believes that no better man could be found for the position at the head of the state's affairs. During his incumbency as secretary of state, Mr. Roach has truly given the people a business administration. He is the kind of man who can prove true to a public trust.

The Leader is not boasting his candidacy at present, lest it appear that we are playing out of turn, but suffice it to say it is almost certain that if Mr. Roach runs he will be elected. And if he is elected, Missourians will have nothing to fear and everything to be thankful for in their governor.

KING CITY HAS COMMENDATION

Official records of the office of secretary of state of Missouri show that under the management of the first term of Cornelius Roach as secretary, receipts of the office were \$1,654,290, which was \$218,602.00 more than receipts of that office during the term of the secretary just preceding him, the increase placed in the state treasury at a reduced cost to the taxpayers of \$77,277.00.

The increase in business cannot be attributed solely to better crops, better times, increase in population, etc., but must be attributed largely to care taken by the secretary of state in looking after details of the state's interests.

It is quite certain that Mr. Roach is thoroughly posted in public affairs of the state, as he has made details of

GLOBE-DEMOCRAT AT ITS OLD GAME

Willing to Lie, But When It Is Caught It Will Not Do the Honest Act

AND OWN UP LIKE A GENTLEMAN SHOULD

It Attacks the Finances of Missouri in Its Usual Disreputable Way and When Picked Up and Confronted with the Truth It Refuses to Give the People the Facts and Hopes Thereby to Do Injury to the Democratic Party

Poor Old Missouri!

That is the title the infamous Globe-Democrat of St. Louis, in its hate and spite, fastened on the best and greatest state in the federal Union.

It has never during the days that it has existed had a good word to say for the great state which gives this parish its sustenance.

On the contrary it has done more to retard Missouri's progress than all of the outlaws, train robbers and guerrillas who ever scouted the state.

It has never said a good word for Missouri since the day that the mercenary "Count" Rodman held high sway.

Then why should it be considered unusual when it prints a base and cowardly fabrication and then, when confronted with facts refuting it, refuses to publish the truth?

Well, to be frank about it, no one with the brains of a striped chipmunk would expect it to—it is not built on that sort of honest lines.

CORNELIUS ROACH

This is why Con Roach, Missouri's most efficient and capable secretary of state, writes to The Observer after this fashion:

To the Editor of The Observer:

An editorial on "State Finances" appeared in The Globe-Democrat of the 18th, wilfully calculated to produce, and producing, an egregiously false conclusion. On the same date I wrote The Globe-Democrat a letter, copy of which is enclosed. That organ did not have the honor to publish my letter. The party's record is at stake on this subject of finance, and the truth should be given to the people, even if it must be done without the co-operation of the metropolitan press. The welfare of the democracy of this state has always rested on the patriotic loyalty and aggressiveness of the country press.

CORNELIUS ROACH, WHAT HE SAID TO THE G.D.

And here is what Secretary Roach wrote to that villain of Missouri and to which that sheet gave no notice at all. The secretary's letter should be read by every voter in Missouri—and remembered. He said:

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AUGUST IN OLD MISSOURI

• Es over the seasons I ponder
• I can't recollect such a freak
• Es this August in old Missouri
• Where chilly blasts blow 'stead
• of heat.

• Folks said that the corn wouldn't
• ripen.
• Cause nights wasn't breathless
• an' not.
• With rainin' an' rainin' it flour-
• ished.
• Three times the size it should
• not.

• Tomatoes an' melons is luxuriant;
• The farmer keeps snillin' it
• know
• in spite o' no heat nor seethin'
• nights.
• The crop is a-goin' to grow.

• T live in Missouri in August
• Meant folks had 'em swelter an'
• burn,
• Hot nights through an' the long
• days, too.
• A waitin' for crops to turn.

• An' them es could buy 'emselves
• tickets.
• Went travelin' off t' the shores,
• A leavin' Missouri in August,
• An' the farmer U do his chores.
• The more I ponder upon it
• The more I relish this freak
• Of an August in old Missouri,
• Where chilly blasts blow 'stead
• of heat.

—L. Duncan Cox.

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